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CATHOLIC STUDENTS INACTIVE

Compared To Students Of Secular Schools—Benson

"The productivity of the students of Catholic colleges is far below the standard of state and secular institutions" Rev. John J. Benson, S. J., Dean of the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences, said Tuesday in addressing the combined sophomore classes.

"I formed this opinion," said Fr. Benson, "after recently spending a few days on the University of Michigan campus, observing the activity and school spirit of their students and discussing the matter with other college professors from various parts of the country."

The Dean condemned the "I don't care whether I fail or not" attitude of many of Xavier students and urged them to take a greater interest in their own education for their personal future benefit.

"COMPANION" TICKETS FOR BASKETBALL

"Companion" tickets will be issued to students who desire to bring their friends to basketball games at half of the regular admission according to a statement by Rev. Edward J. Bracken, athletic director.

The regular admission price to basketball games is fifty-five cents, but when reserved tickets are used it is changed to a dollar.

Under the new plan Xavier University students are able to purchase companion tickets for a quarter if only regular admission tickets are being sold for the game and for a half-dollar if reserved tickets are being used for admission.

Tickets are restricted to only youthful companions and either a girl or boy may be admitted with one. Adults will not be admitted on these tickets.

A student is permitted to buy only one ticket for each game. Tickets will be sold in the Athletic office in the Biology Building only—not at the gate. Student Athletic activities book must be presented when making the purchase of these tickets.

This practice of issuing a companion ticket will be carried into the football season next year if students are careful to abide by the restrictions and not use

ANNUAL PHOTOGRAPHS DURING VACATION

All seniors must have their photographs taken before the end of the Christmas vacation, Elmer J. Gruber, editor of the 1939 Musketeer, stated Tuesday. The pictures will be taken by Young and Carl, and all organization heads should be photographed before January 31, Gruber said.

SCHMIDT IS PROM CHAIRMAN

Definite Program Set For JCNA At Convention

Delegates From Fourteen Colleges Attend

The annual meeting of the Jesuit College Newspaper Association which assembled last week at Loyola in Chicago definitely fixed its program, revenue and responsibility.

The organization, founded for college expression against the growing spirit of paganism and absolutism in the world, plans a whole year of concerted newspaper policy. It is expected that cooperation between members will facilitate and increase the effects of a drive that will seek to penetrate campus apathy toward the commotions shaking civilized order. A second objective is to checkmate the dogmas of the isms preached by the deluded or the unscrupulous.

Fourteen Represented

The delegates representing Loyola, Chicago, Loyola, New Orleans, Marquette, St. Louis, John Carroll, Detroit, Spring Hill, Rockhurst, Regis, Creighton, Holy Cross and Xavier university, elected Loyola of New Orleans as site of the next convention. It was decided that the college holding the convention should also hold the presidency of the association and operate the central office which will send out reports and digests of pertinent material. Until the next convention in December in New Orleans, Loyola of Chicago will hold the presidency and operate the central office.

A succession of brilliant speakers addressed the convention. Mr. John A. Kemp, S. J., made the keynote address elaborating on a fifteen page tentative program which was adopted at the final session, and Rev. William J. McGucken, S. J., of St. Louis University spoke on the Catholic heritage of culture.

Accent On Thought

Dr. Edward H. Fitzpatrick, dean of the graduate school of Marquette University and leading member of the National Catholic Educational Association, dared them to break from the traditional preoccupation of the press with the abnormal and the temporal, and to recognize that in a university thought is more important than action. He urged that the college paper include more discussion, controversy, expression of feeling, and argumentation over courses and electives.

The power and nature of totalitarian strategy, especially the strategy of communism was examined by Dr. Theodosi Mogilnitsky. Communists as a rule do not understand the implications of their own philosophy, said Dr. Mogilnitsky, but great numbers of them are fanatics and some are as much convinced of their ideas as a saint of the church. The Rev. Eugene Shiels, S. J., of the Loyola history department, ventured that the pur-

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Fr. Coughlin Given Support By Sodalists

Letter Of Commendation To Be Sent To WCKY

Members of the Sodality voted Monday that an open letter be sent to Station WCKY of Covington, Kentucky, commending the carrying of the addresses of Rev. Charles E. Coughlin. The letter has the approval of the officials of the University, and will be passed around in the religion classes this week. The letter is as follows:

"This letter is sent to you in the interest of truth.

"Because we, the students of Xavier University, Cincinnati, Ohio, profess the truth of the existence of God, the Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and are, therefore, absolutely opposed to atheism under whatever form, we wish to commend Station WCKY of Covington, Kentucky, for bringing us the voice of Rev. Charles E. Coughlin.

"We believe that Father Coughlin is honest in his fight against atheistic communism.

"We contend that Father Coughlin should continue to be heard.

"Father Coughlin should not be made the victim of a conspiracy of silence in a question that involves God-fearing people in a democratic country."

Gridder Has Duck-y Situation To Handle

Fowl Problem Arises From Door-Prize Win

BY JIM CENTNER

There has been a startling story travelling around the campus this week, via the hidden grape-vine, concerning one of our most exalted gridiron champions. It has to deal with a certain small, feathered member of the Anas Boschus family. In other words, gentlemen and fellow students, a charter resident of the family Anser, Order 14, which deals exclusively with the genus Anseriformes.

Amazing Interlude

After identifying the web-footed friend, we proceed to impart to you the details of the amazing incident. At the Forest Theatre, Avondale, a raffle was being conducted. Several members of our famous eleven attended the theatre for the evening's entertainment, not because of the raffle, but rather because of the excellence of the program offered. Somewhere in the middle of the picture, the lights were turned on, and the raffle

NAMED CHAIRMAN



RICHARD T. SCHMIDT

"I hope to have cooperation on getting a good band."

Professor Gives Well-Received Lecture On Coins

Tuesday evening, Rev. Robert E. Manning, S. J., professor of Greek, lectured at the Netherland Plaza before the Cincinnati Numismatists Society in their suite in that hotel. Fr. Manning's lecture won for him an honorary membership and much applause. The lecture treated the ancient coins of Greece, and was accompanied by a series of illustrated slides on the subject.

Father Manning enjoys a wide reputation as a Classicist in this vicinity, and is considered an authority on the subject of classical coins.

APPOINTED BY GLADSTONE

Sweeney, Hogan, Tepe Form Rest Of Committee

Richard T. Schmidt, arts junior, was appointed chairman of the 1939 Junior Promenade yesterday by Joseph A. Gladstone, junior class president, in accordance with the established Xavier custom.

To assist Schmidt a committee of three was named. It includes Joseph M. Sweeney, Thomas P. Hogan, and Melvin J. Tepe, all of the class of '40. Gladstone will also act as a member of the Prom Committee.

When questioned as to his early plans, Schmidt said that he can predict a prom which will at least maintain the high calibre of preceding years' affairs.

Difficult Problem

"The most difficult element in the staging of a successful Junior Promenade," he stated, "is the selection of an orchestra which will be acceptable to most people. In this I look to the student body for cooperation and suggestion."

Selection of the Prom Queen will be one of the first considerations, and will take place shortly.

Under advisement by the committee at present is the location for the dance, one of the more important occasions on the Xavier social calendar. This year the Prom has been set for February 10.

For the past four years the Junior Prom has had its setting in the Netherland Plaza's Hall of Mirrors, with the orchestras of Art Kassel, Sammy Kay, Clyde McCoy, and Lou Breeze, in that order of succession.

Local Theatre Guild Giving Initial Play

Cincinnati's newest theatre organization, the Catholic Theatre Guild presents its first play, "George and Margaret," in LeBlond Auditorium of the Cincinnati Catholic Women's Club, beginning at 8:30 o'clock this evening and continuing Saturday and Sunday evening.

This play should be of special interest to Xavier men since the cast is directed by Mrs. Lorna de Sosa, wife of Mr. Salvadore de Sosa, Spanish professor at Xavier, and includes three representatives of the University. Two alumni members, Kim Darragh and Bob Cummins, who played a leading role in the "Racket," 1938 production of the Masque Society, and Bill Blum, freshman.

The cast for the play includes: Alice Mary Louise Crowe Malcolm Frank Molloy Gladys Mary Rose Thuman Frankie Myrtle Jones Claude Kim Darragh Rogers Robert Cummins Dudley William Blum Deer Dorothy Yaeger

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As You Like It—

A taxi driver gave the News a changed idea of the members of his profession when he stopped his cab in front of the Union House Monday to console a mongrel he had unavoidably grazed.

The News is slow in commending the Editor of the *Freie Presse*, Cincinnati German newspaper, on his refusal of an offered decoration from Hitler and his rascals. Our tardiness resulted from our distinct relief at seeing a fellow citizen avoid an insidious pitfall and from our utter amazement at the realization of the nearness of Hitler's influence.

We noted very few young ladies at the Military Ball corsageless and very many advanced course cadets with sheepish expressions. We rather suspected that we would. If the anti-posie campaigners who capitulated to convention would analyze their emotions, they might find that the discomfort they felt at deserting their fervently-sworn stand was more than compensated for by the relief of adherence to prevailing usage.

The News observes, from a current downtown movie feature, that Mr. Roosevelt has the good taste to smile, rather than laugh, at his own jokes.

We are glad Mr. Hitler told us that the United States has been laboring under a Jewish regime since the days of Andrew Jackson. It's about time we knew such vital things about our own politics. We think it is very generous of Mr. Hitler to take time out from his mass-acres to study American history and explain our situation to us.

The Athletic Department crashed through this week with a solid indication that it has not opposition to Xavier student as its main object. The companion ticket proposition is a boon to the student body and a credit to the people in the Athletic office. It is something we have been waiting for at Xavier for some long uncomfortable time.

It is the utter duty of the undergraduates to use this opportunity and their absolute self-destruction to abuse it. There was once a dog who lay in a manger and thereby built for himself an everlasting halo of odium. Let no student of Xavier University be so crude as to nob his classmates of what is theirs. Let the Athletic Department be assured that the student body is capable of appreciation, probably in greater measure than it is of opposition.

The candy ogre, in Science Hall belches out a candy-bar or two every now and then as some unprincipled product of the machine-age pays his tribute to high finance. But Pete blows cheerfully on his chilly fingers as he observes that he does not feel any slump in trade from the student body. The comment in the corridors is considerable.

Listening to Representative Martin Dies of the Congressional Committee investigating Un-American Activities as he spoke over NBC facilities last Tuesday, we were struck by his revelations as to subversive goings-on. Of course, the Great American public knew most of the

"discoveries" of the Committee while they were still "suspicions," but it is a distinct relief to feel that the federal government—or an agency of it—is aware at last of what goes on from the rock-bound coasts to the sunny slopes. Our relief, however, is dissipated when we begin to speculate as to whether action will be forthcoming.

The sum of nine entries from Xavier University in the Inter-Collegiate English Contest epitomizes the practical collapse of cultural higher education. (See Dean's statement on page one, column one). We will say very little about the situation besides summarizing it. Xavier is a small university known for specialization in classical training. It is located in a city of cultural leanings. Its campus life is intimate and entertaining but by no means excessive. Its faculty includes men whose knowledge and ability in literary directions is evident, and all are of a nature to furnish all possible aid to all desirous students. With all conditions conducive to interest in an essay competition among five colleges, Xavier manages to squeeze out a scant nine entries. The conclusions are yours.

And so the jitterbugs leave Cincinnati, but they also leave a bad taste in Cincinnati's mouth. There is not much difference fundamentally between over-indulgence in drink and surrender to sensuous rhythm; the News wonders if we may expect newsreels to present scenes of drunken orgies soon. Last week they showed us a gang of music-mad bacchanalians go through an insulting series of excesses, after which we may look for anything.

Overheard by the News in the library Tuesday: "You don't call that stuff music that Goodman plays, do you?"

SOME LIKE IT HOT.

Now we can get the dope on that Mil Ball affair... both sides of it. Said the Military lads: "A fine affair... classy... lotta fun... we made money." By the by—who gets that last item? And at least one gal: "Between medals, we danced."

Nor is Margo slipping with Jack Bruder just because he's dating Connie for U. C.'s M. Ball... SHE is under contract to Jackie for New Year's Eve... Jackie Mackey, reputedly, is a-goin' steady but we don't know whether it's Doris Lee or Mary... and yet another Jack—it's Smith, this time—was socializin' in uniform... with Alice, the gal next door... And of course Slapsy Saxon was thar... with another first date—the last? Bob "Hot-Fire" Meyer, '38, drew a hearty round of cheers, (Bronx) when introduced to the mob at the Ball. Imagine Abrams and Ryan in officers uniforms! Neither can we, so we'll have to disbelieve that one until we see it... The redhead, (Abrams) was with T. P. A.'s Elaine, and Ryan had another of their pledges... they managed to give Tuke and Mary a



Crackpots And Stooges—

FOR a third time the Jesuit College Newspaper Association has assembled under the aegis of powerful supporters; a third time it has moved toward a more definite goal. At the Chicago Loyola meeting of last week, program, revenue, and responsibility were fixed. For two days, educators, journalists, historians, and sociologists flung the pent-up fury of their despair and hope for youth into the teeth of student representatives.

The objective was drawn large and clarified with eloquent thought. There can be no doubt that the bench-occupiers of the twenty-five Jesuit colleges in this country ought not be impotent and subjects of ridicule in the midst of transitions running amuck through their property and their rights.

A goal has been clearly sketched; method and practicality rest unreservedly on the heads of student editors. The year of the Loyola Convention will indicate whether blood circulates on the Jesuit college campus, or that the objection presented is a shadow on the moon, and it is true what you often hear in college circles (a saying alluded to by one convention speaker), namely that college newspaper editors are crackpots and stooges.

The Buckeye's Bow—

THE amazing Buckeye Conference furnished us enough amusement for several week-ends by its action of last Saturday. Always an interesting organization, it ended in a final flash which was undoubtedly worthy of it.

Sometimes the searching-out of motives spoils the sparkle of a situation; but a situation whose antecedents defy discernment does not admit of any damage from this direction.

The Conference appeared to many to give promise of becoming the liveliest group of its kind in this area. It included members whose strength and vivacity are remarkable. But it managed to grow into a little Sampson, and by its very volatility pulled its own pillars down.

This region will not, in probability, be long without a conference to succeed the Buckeye. The college elements of the vicinity have become accustomed to the feel of and developed a taste for the conference idea. We predict that they will build on the ashes of the Buckeye a superior structure.

It must be momentum that keeps the caissons rolling along in Spain, as the War has already been lost by all hands.

CURRENT COMMENTARY . . . By Frank L. Luken

IF it were not so ironically tragic, the current disputation over the question of anti-Semitism as heatedly carried on in the American press and over the American radio would amuse us a great deal. Stripped of all the emotional appeal, with which Jews have surrounded their cause, the current "persecution" in Germany is really a fortunate incident that able pro-British propagandists have seized on to aid in their campaign to draft the American armed forces to save the crumbling prestige of the British Empire.

An interesting light on the question of official sympathy for Jews is given by an article in *America*, written by Paul L. Blakely, S. J. He comments: "At least two European nations are preparing for war against Germany. (We would say these are France and Great Britain because Russia is much too preoccupied with her internal problems.) Under existing legislation, neither can borrow money in the United States which means that they cannot borrow it in any country. A campaign for 'humanity' (do you remember 1914-1917?) can be used to create a demand for the repeal of the Johnson Act. That repeal, whatever else it might do, would make war fairly

safe for Germany's enemies."

At one time we believed that Americans were sincere in their intention to refrain from the "European mess," as many put it. We think it is in agreement with the facts to state that, today nearly every person in the United States has heard an appeal from some pro-Jewish haranguer against Nazi Germany even if these be war-like, and even half-seriously considered this eventuality. What a contrast to the anti-war sentiment of just a very few months ago.

America has been prepared by a studied campaign of propaganda against Germany aided by a series of incidents in that country which, it happens, is repeating its blunders of 1914-17 by entering into a heated official diatribe against the United States and is thusly playing into the hands of her enemies.

Today, the second stage in the plot against American isolation is being carried out by the visit of prominent British diplomats to this country—at the moment of this writing Anthony Eden is in the city of Washington and basking in the welcome of our officialdom. Tomorrow, the crown heads of England will be welcomed into the White House by the titular head of the American government and we will be officially pro-British. The next step—since all these preparations are not to be made to no purpose—is war on the side of Great Britain if we remain as gullible as we are today.

SOME LIKE IT HOT. By Jim Patton

fit at the 19th Hole after the Mil Brawl... While we're on the subject of U. C. honeys, Joe Sullivan had Janet, present Freshman Queen from the above mentioned Greek house, out Friday night... Be a Queen and see the town... and Gronny (who said "Granny"? Gronny was on the town with Coca-Cola-Carl, who is definitely oke in our little book...

Hey, a thought! Guys with femme infatuations; Begin to save. You've obligations! Don't look now, but that kid over there in the corner who is biting his nails and cutting out dollies is little Willie Cassello, quietly going bugs. The lads lined him up for a party last Sunday and Bill didn't know until the zero hour that it was a hoax... try calling your WAbash numbers for the source of that invitation, Willie... Who can blame the Geoghegan lad for stepping out a bit with the local high school talent... his Trinity heartbeat is all dated for the Santa Claus sisson by one of those Notre Dame dolts... The next three days are hereby designated National Knife-Tossing Week-end... Ed Ryan is dating Bob Blum's Jane; Joe Sullivan is sweeping Louise away from Tom and Putt-putt; (despite the fact that Joe is expecting Soapy Annie home the 17th. (7:30 p. m.,

to be specific); and the Club Elet boys are all at one another's throats about who is to date the gals from that auxiliary dorm on Dana... Doc Duda imported from Hamilton last week-end, Jim Rees dittoed from Piqua, and Jake Nolan had an out-of-town on his arm from Friday until Sunday... Joe Sweeney certainly does have his troubles... the poor guy can't even hit a lick with Berenice while that admiring throng from the dorm sits around and cheers him on... Joe has a Brand New Picture etc... Dave Heekin made the Sig Chi dawnce last week-end—lucky him! Dick Schmidt was heel-and-toeing it with Betty again at Ye Friday Nite Fracas... the cycle is completed... One of our news sources has it for a fact that Mary E. would like to give Donnie Carroll a great big break, but the Oil City Oiler isn't having any... A cautious kid, no less.

Till next time then... be good... Dear Santa: Please bring me something nasty to fill this space weekly, instead of weakly, and make it about all those guys who weren't going to, but did, send corsages to their dicky-chicks last week-end. Hopefully yours... Thankx to my two Agent provocateurs for whatever dirt we managed to cover this time.

THIN SLICES

By Raymond J. Wilson

Death Notices—

The execution of Anna Hahn was an occasion of great glee for the newsboys. Although we do not share his exultation we pass along the cry of the proprietor of the Fourth and Walnut corner: "Little Orphan Annie gets the hot seat."

Two friends were discussing the execution, one saying that Mrs. Hahn should never have been put to death, the other defending the execution. The argument grew heated and ended on the illigical note of: "Why didn't she stay in Germany where they appreciate mass murders."

Worth A Try, Anyway—

LOST—A lead pencil by Jennie Weems, blonde, blue-eyed, five feet four inches, good dancer. Finder please call H-7394 between 7 and 8 p. m.

—Advertisement in the McGill Daily through the News-Record.

Contribution—

Dear Thin Slices:

Our literary hat is off to the pun-loving wag who chalked in the suffix "ing" at the right place in the "Tobacco Road" billboard slogan "The Most Discussed Play in the History of the American Theatre."

—Gilbert Viaductor.

To the Last "T"—

The Associated Collegiate Press reports the feat of a student at the University of Michigan who follows his Emily Post rather literally. At a reception given by the president of the university he expressed his gratitude at receiving a cup of tea by saying: "Thank you sir or madame as the case may be."

A Difference—

From a freshman theme: "The theoretical classes in ROTC are different from other classes in the university in that there is almost complete silence in the room." Well, one of the more obvious differences.

Epigram—

Three friends were discussing the old bromide "The anticipation is greater than the realization." After the argument had advanced to the "I say yes" — "I say no" stage, one remarked that the memory was better than either.

Epithet Revamped—

Someone on the campus thinks that he can improve on Father LaPlante's epithet for a person who makes resolutions on January 1 and breaks them on January 2. Father LaPlante called such "Wishey-wishey." The alteration was to: "Whiskey-wishey."

Dispatches—

Our reconnaissance officer tells us to take our choice of the more amusing incident.

A. A captain of Field Artillery pacing up and down the first floor corridor of a girl's dormitory at Ohio Wesleyan teaching a prospective feminine Cadet Lieutenant-Colonel a little close order drill.

B. A captain of Field Artillery dressed in shirt sleeves and blowing up two hundred toy balloons (with some of them managing to slither away) at the Hall of Mirrors.

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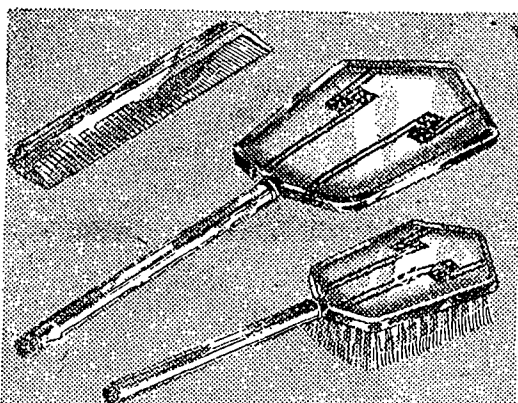
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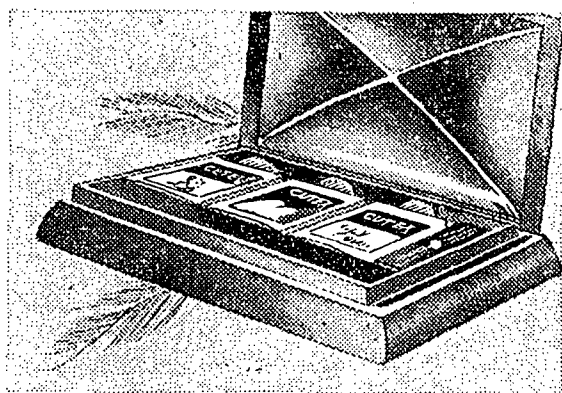
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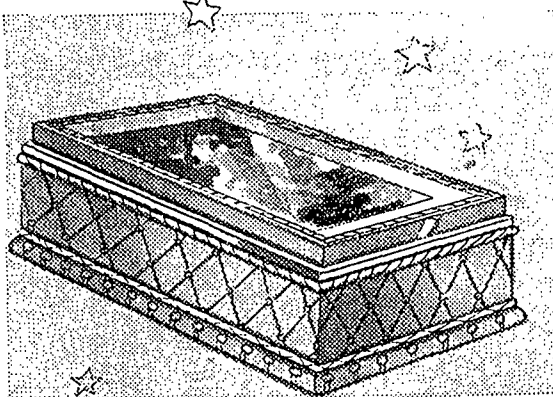
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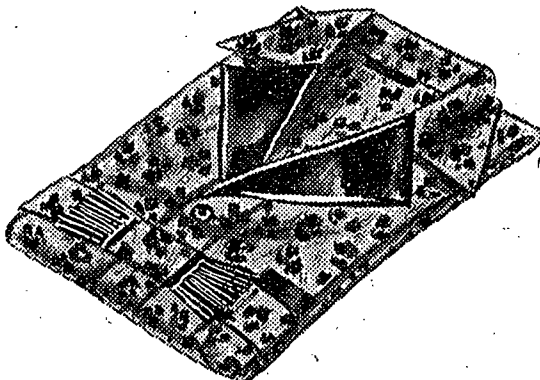


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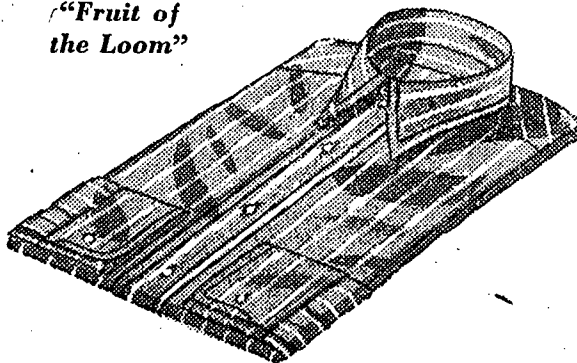
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Hoop Quintet Will Meet Triumvirate Of Basketball Powers

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Games May Tell Success Of Season

Beginning tonight, in a span of seven days the Xavier University court quintet will meet a triumvirate of basketball powers in games that will probably decide whether the 1938 season will be successful or—otherwise.

Tonight, Western State Teachers of Kalamazoo, Michigan, will play the Musketeers for the first time in the history of the two schools. Next Tuesday the Badgers of Wisconsin, boasting a win over Notre Dame, are scheduled for the white and blue; and Thursday, Washington and Lee will appear at the Xavier Fieldhouse to complete the picture.

Percentage Of .726

Coach Herbert W. "Buck" Read will bring his eighteenth edition of Teacher's basketball teams to Xavier. During the seventeen years that he has been coaching at Western State he has had only one losing season and he has a record of 220 games won and 82 lost for a percentage of .726.

Fifteen men compose the Teacher's team. William Broadbent, captain, comes from Elkhart, Indiana. He was a three year letterman in high school and was named twice on All-Northern Indiana team. He plays at guard.

High Scorers

Arthur Guse who alternates at guard and forward for the Brown and Gold team was an All-Southwestern Michigan Conference guard. Last year he scored 42 field baskets and 20 fouls for a total of 104 points.

Robert Peckham plays center for Western. He has a height of 6' 2" to his advantage and ran up a 138 points last year. At forward, Wayne Davidson a junior with one year Varsity experience has been showing up to best advantage in the games played by the Teachers so far this season.

Six-Foot Forward

The only sophomore in the starting five for Western State is Lester Runk, a six-foot forward, although another sophomore, Floyd Zavitz is giving him a run for the position.

Coach Reed was one of the first coaches of the middle-West to adopt the fast-breaking offense, his 1930 team using it with such success that it won 17 straight contests that year.

During his seventeen years of coaching at Western State Teachers College coach Reed has had only one losing season and only two seasons in which his teams have finished below the .600 mark.

The Line-up:

Xavier	Pos.	Western
Carroll	F.	Runk
Weiler	F.	Davidson
Gesselbracht	C.	Peckham
Donavan	G.	Broadbent
Howe	G.	Guse

Frosh Squad Puts "Bee" On "Mellopogivers"

In the preliminary game last Friday night, the Musketeer freshmen proved their mettle by beating the "Mellopogivers" in their initial contest.

The "Mellopogivers" are a group of varsity football players, playing basketball as a sideline, and are coached by "Luke" Lucas and captained by Val Boehm. Referee Roy Neary had a hard time suppressing the football instincts of the upperclassmen, who seemed to think that basketball was just a new type of football.

Good Freshie Squad

Kenny Jordan seems to have the best "freshie" squad that has turned up at "X" in quite a few years. Many times, in practice sessions, they have held the varsity to a low margin of victory. Quinlan, a Chicago product, was the shining light of the "greenie" aggregation, showing a keen basket eye, as he sank four baskets to lead the scoring. Gates, guard from Louisville, shows promise in ball-handling and should develop into varsity material with a year of freshman ball. Other freshmen who showed up well were Norton, Vaughn, and Monahan.

Of the "Mello's" Slattery, end on the football team, and Harpring, big soph tackle, scored four points to lead their teammates.

Buckeye Conference Collapses

Rated as the "toughest little conference in the country" the Buckeye conference was unexpectedly disbanded last Saturday as the result of resignations by its three remaining charter members. Xavier joined the conference last June on probation, which would have expired in June, 1939.

The dissolution of the league came as a surprise. Trouble was brewing in the conference for quite a while but the sudden disbanding was unlooked for. Marshall, who gained a reputation for herself as a power in the conference, has been accused of subsidizing players and of rough-house tactics during the past few seasons.

New League?

With the disbandment of the old league, speculation began to spring up concerning the formation of a new league. One being currently discussed would consist of Xavier, Marshall, University of Dayton, Toledo and Western Reserve.

Clem Crowe, when questioned about the possibility of a new league said that it would be a good idea but that he doubted whether anything would be done about it before the next football season.

Boxing Debut

A win, a draw, and four losses was the result of Xavier University's first venture into the resined ring at Lexington, Kentucky, Wednesday night.

Xavier's glove-hurlers opened against the crack Kentucky University team, which includes a galaxy of Golden-Glove stars, as a new sport outlet appears on and off the Avondale campus.

Victor by decision in his first bout under the blue banner, "Klassy" Keller crashed through to whip Slatt of Kentucky, with both at 155. Jim Rees turned in a draw, halving with Kentucky's French in the heavy class.

Dick Shay, Joe Aylward, Jack Toomey, and Joe Connolly dropped their decisions to the highly-polished blue-grass boys, but held out promise for future matches. Each fight was three rounds; there were no knockouts.

Comparative Scores Predict Tough Season

Muskies Erratic On Offense

BY BOB CAHILL

Checking comparative scores of last week's collegiate games there is an indication that the Musketeers are in for a number of hectic evenings on the hardwood in the current campaign. Prevailing campus opinion, however, points toward a successful season for the Blue and White.

Turning from Kentucky to Michigan this week Xavier meets Western State Teachers College of Kalamazoo, Michigan. This game may prove to be a more severe test of the Blue quintet's prowess on the court and perhaps will indicate how they will stack up against the more formidable opponents to be met later in the season.

Lack Reserves

In winning the opener from Kentucky Wesleyan, the Muskies showed flashes of mid-season form especially on the defense, but an apparent lack of material was evident. This lack of reserves may prove to be a decided disadvantage when faced with opponents of the caliber of Wisconsin, who won their opening tilt from Notre Dame; Washington and Lee, who are rated tops in the Southern Conference; and Indiana, who is always a power in the Big Ten Conference. With a wealth of material these big time schools substitute frequently without apparent weakening. This keeps their game at top speed.

To Meet Old Foes

In addition to these "name schools" the Xavier squad will clash with a number of old foes. Kentucky, with a team that beat Kentucky Wesleyan by a more impressive score than Captain Don Carroll's boys were able to register, and Toledo, eager for revenge, are just two examples of what the Carrollians must match baskets with.

Locker Roomours

By Mart Ankenbruck

WE HAVE IT THEN WE DON'T . . .

Just when Xavier was to become a member of the Buckeye Conference, it was disbanded. Now many persons have been wondering what will replace the ill-fated league, we were wondering a little ourselves and, it wouldn't do just to sit around and wonder, so we have been out doing a little news-hawking and we feel there's something in the air. You know, we wouldn't be at all surprised, if, next spring Xavier along with Western Reserve, Toledo, Dayton, and a few others would sprout out with a brand new southern Ohio athletic conference. This is more than a pipe dream, for we've heard from various sources about the concoction of the above scheme a few days after the other broke up. It will, however, probably be quite a while before the inauguration of a new league as the schools believe in what you might say, taking it easy, and are letting things settle for a while.

JOHN MAKES MEANIE MEANY'S CLUB . . .

Tom Meany, syndicated writer, who picks himself a crackpot All-Goofy football eleven every year seemed to have no trouble finding this man for the center position this year as John Barnini, Providence College, R. I., who took a whack at X's Tom Hogan this fall from the bench, just fit the position. Barnini is a good football player, but he'd have never gotten as much publicity just playing regular football; the twelfth man stunt really put John on the sport pages of the daily rags of the country.

RAMBLING NOTES . . .

With a new 1939 football captain, a new member of the Legion of Honor and the last of football heard 'til spring, we found the thinly-clad Xavier stalwarts working with great zest on the X hardwood during the last week for tonight's clash with Western State Teachers and most of all for the coming battle with Wisconsin University. As far as tonight is concerned, however, we believe that coach Crowe's squad have a real battle on their hands and will have to go some to take the Kalamazoo squad, but with a real display of ball handling and basket sniping the Musketeers should be winners. . . . It seems that Cincinnati's pro football club will go places next year. From all reports the outlook is excellent and the Bengals may be a member of the National League next season. 99 per cent of Cincinnati's football fans want to see them again next year so we'll no doubt be watching them again at Corcoran Field next season. . . . If all intramural blanks come in and the

number is up to expectations it is believed that by next week the program for the inter-class sports will be in full swing. Classes for wrestling and boxing will be scheduled, while in basketball and handball teams will be picked by weights. . . .

IT'S OF INTEREST . . .

. . . To note that Zip Nickel got the half-back position on the all-opponent team of South Carolina. He won the post over backs from Fordham and Villanova.

Al Howe, stellar varsity tackle, was drafted by the Detroit Lions in the recent drawing. This means that if Al does play professional football he must play with the Lions. Al, when questioned, referred us to his manager Gene Keller who stated that he had nothing to say.

Imagine the embarrassment when X didn't have enough basketball suits to go around. Can't something be done about it.

The freshman football squad presented their coach, Kenny Jordan, with a combination cigarette holder and lighter last night at the football banquet. Coach Jordan said he was mighty pleased and that he'd make good use of the present, which we don't doubt at all.

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Musketeers Trounce Panthers 49-31 In Season Opener

Gesselbracht, Carroll Star

Opening their 1938 basketball season last Friday night, the Musketeers fought their way to a 49 to 31 victory over the Kentucky Wesleyan Panthers from Winchester.

Captain Don Carroll and slender Al Gesselbracht led the Muskies attack, whipping through fielders from all angles to tally twenty-six points between them.

Coach Ditto's boys drew first blood when Captain Tony Raisor slipped through a push shot for two points but before Kentucky could register against the Musketeers racked up eleven points.

First Half Fruitful

The Xavier score more than doubled that of Wesleyan throughout most of the game and as the half ended the Muskies held an advantage of 17 points—29 to 12.

With eight minutes remaining

and the Musketeers ahead 43 to 22, Coach Crowe put in the second stringers. During this period Kentucky Wesleyan managed to outscore the Blue and White as they chalked up nine points to the Muskies six to make the final score 49 to 31.

Weiler Replaces Neary

Little Nick Weiler playing in the place of the injured Roy Neary gave a good account of himself and tallied eight points during the contest.

The Musketeers missed many of their shots and at times they were weak defensively but on the whole they showed well with only two weeks of practice under their belts.

The only department of play in which the Kentuckians surpassed Xavier was in charity shots. The Muskies scored only eleven times out of twenty-five tries. Wesleyan connected with five out of nine free shots.

High Point Men

In the Musketeer scoring department Captain Don Carroll and Al Gesselbracht tallied thirteen points apiece, followed by Donovan and Weiler who garnered eight apiece. Al Howe had one charity shot while substitutes Beckman, Gladstone and Sweeney threw two apiece.

FIRST TAVERNACULAR TO APPEAR SHORTLY

A meeting of the Mermaid Tavern was held on Monday, Dec. 12, at which two arts students, John J. Bruder and Philip K. Horrigan, were initiated as members. After the initiation, it was announced that the first issue of the "Tavernacular," the publication of the literary organization, would appear during the Christmas season. Father Sweeney, faculty patron, said that a highday would take place on December 28, when the old patrons of the Tavern would be guests.

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"News" Staff Unbeaten In Sports

BY L. J. HEIM

The News preserved its unblemished athletic record Thursday, Dec. 8, by a 28-24 victory over the Band.

The five "iron men" of the News outplayed and outlasted the Musicians, even though the latter started fresh combinations at each quarter. The score at the half was 15-13. "Rough-em-up" Ritzie, showing accurate shooting up close, sent six goals thru the hoop to lead the field with 12 points.

In contrast to the Newsmen's consistent 'bunny shooting' the horn-tooters used a fast-breaking system and long shots. J. Brungs led the losers with 7 points.

Classy Outfit

The staffmen agreed after the game that they were hard pressed and that the Band was probably the classiest outfit they have met this year.

Late in the second quarter referee Joe Carney, thinking "discretion to be the better part of valor," made a hasty exit from the fray. The fact that Carney was strangely blind to fouls against the News is one theory advanced as a reason for his departure. The News had but one foul shot all during the

game.

The next opponent of the News will be the Enlisted Men of the Army contingent at Xavier. Ye Old Mermaid Tavern has been challenged and will probably accept the invitation to a bowl game.

Box Score:

NEWS	F.G.	F.S.	T.P.
Heim, f.	2	0	4
Klingenberg, f.	2	0	4
Ritzie, c.	6	0	12
Bruder, g.	3	0	6
Rothering, g.	1	0	2
Total	14	0	28
BAND	F.G.	F.S.	T.P.
J. Brungs, f.	3	1	7
Malarky, f.	1	0	2
Low, c.	2	1	5
D. Moore, g.	1	0	2
B. Brungs, g.	2	0	4
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FOWL PROBLEM ARISES FROM DUCK-Y AFFAIR

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to present himself before "all those people" and accept his reward. Thus it came about that Joe Gladstone, the braver of the two, steeled himself for the coming blow, and calmly (we hope) struggled up the aisle with the winning ticket, and received, of all things, an order for a duck.

The boys have not as yet received their diminutive, web-footed friend, and consequently have a new worry. The problem now confronting them is whether the duck will be alive, or table dressed. They have a tentative arrangement in their own minds, to wit: if the duck be alive, he (or she) will be treated with the utmost consideration, and will be made a pet if permissible. If the prize duck be dead and table dressed you can guess the fate of the small creature.

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pose of the university paper was to bring the university to the world and the world to the university.

A realistic analysis of college journalism distinguished the talk of Rev. Ralph A. Gallagher, S. J., chairman of Loyola's department of sociology. John Fitzgerald, dean of the Loyola Law School, brushed the legal implications of college editorship. Wit, humour, and admonition mingled with the closing address delivered by Dr. Harry M. Gage, president of Coe College and the board of review of the North Central Association of Colleges.

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